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§ 774.10 Regulatory authority review of permits.

- (a) The regulatory authority shall review each permit issued and outstanding under an approved regulatory program during the term of the permit. This review shall occur not later than the middle of each permit term and as follows:
- (1) Permits with a term longer than 5 years shall be reviewed no less frequently than the permit midterm or every 5 years, whichever is more frequent.
- (2) Permits with variances granted in accordance with \$785.14 of this chapter (mountaintop removal) and \$785.18 of this chapter (variance for delay in contemporaneous reclamation requirement in combined surface and underground mining operations) of this chapter shall be reviewed no later than 3 years from the date of issuance of the permit unless, for variances issued in accordance with \$785.14 of this chapter, the permittee affirmatively demonstrates that the proposed development is proceeding in accordance with the terms of the permit.
- (3) Permits containing experimental practices issued in accordance with § 785.13 of this chapter and permits with

a variance from approximate original contour requirements in accordance with §785.16 shall be reviewed as set forth in the permit or at least every $2\frac{1}{2}$ years from the date of issuance as required by the regulatory authority, in accordance with §§785.13(g) and 785.16(c) of this chapter, respectively.

- (b) After the review required by paragraph (a) of this section, or at any time, the regulatory authority may, by order, require reasonable revision of a permit in accordance with §774.13 to ensure compliance with the Act and the regulatory program.
- (c) Any order of the regulatory authority requiring revision of a permit shall be based upon written findings and shall be subject to the provisions for administrative and judicial review in part 775 of this chapter. Copies of the order shall be sent to the permittee.
- (d) Permits may be suspended or revoked in accordance with subchapter ${\bf L}$ of this chapter.

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§ 774.11 Post-permit issuance requirements for regulatory authorities and other actions based on ownership, control, and violation information.

(a) For the purposes of future permit eligibility determinations and enforcement actions, we, the regulatory authority, must enter into AVS the data shown in the following table—

We must enter into AVS all	within 30 days after
(1) Permit records (2) Unabated or uncorrected violations (3) Changes of ownership or control (4) Changes in violation status	the permit is issued or subsequent changes made. the abatement or correction period for a violation expires. receiving notice of a change. abatement, correction, or termination of a violation, or a decision from an administrative or judicial tribunal.

(b) If, at any time, we discover that any person owns or controls an operation with an unabated or uncorrected violation, we will determine whether enforcement action is appropriate under part 843, 846 or 847 of this chapter. We must enter the results of each enforcement action, including administrative and judicial decisions, into AVS.

(c) We must serve a preliminary finding of permanent permit ineligibility under section 510(c) of the Act on you, an applicant or operator, if the criteria in paragraphs (c)(1) and (c)(2) are met. In making a finding under this paragraph, we will only consider control relationships and violations which would make, or would have made, you ineligible for a permit under §§ 773.12(a) and

- (b) of this subchapter. We must make a preliminary finding of permanent permit ineligibility if we find that—
- (1) You control or have controlled surface coal mining and reclamation operations with a demonstrated pattern of willful violations under section 510(c) of the Act; and
- (2) The violations are of such nature and duration with such resulting irreparable damage to the environment as to indicate your intent not to comply with the Act, its implementing regulations, the regulatory program, or your permit.
- (d) You may request a hearing on a preliminary finding of permanent permit ineligibility under 43 CFR 4.1350 through 4.1356.

(e) We must enter the results of the finding and any hearing into AVS.

- (f) At any time, we may identify any other person who owns or controls an entire operation or any relevant portion or aspect thereof. If we identify such a person, we must—
- (1) Issue a written finding to the person and the applicant or permittee describing the nature and extent of ownership or control; and
- (2) Enter our finding under paragraph (f)(1) of this section into AVS; and
 - (3) Require the person to—
- (i) Disclose their identity under §778.11(c)(5) of this subchapter; and
- (ii) Certify they are a controller under §778.11(d) of this subchapter, if appropriate.
- (g) A person we identify under paragraph (f)(1) of this section may challenge the finding using the provisions of §§ 773.25, 773.26 and 773.27 of this subchapter.

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$\S\,774.12\,$ Post-permit issuance information requirements for permittees.

- (a) Within 30 days after the issuance of a cessation order under §843.11 of this chapter, or its State regulatory program equivalent, you, the permittee, must provide or update all the information required under §778.11 of this subchapter.
- (b) You do not have to submit information under paragraph (a) of this section if a court of competent jurisdiction grants a stay of the cessation order and the stay remains in effect.

- (c) Within 60 days of any addition, departure, or change in position of any person identified in §778.11(c) or (d) of this subchapter, you must provide—
- (1) The information required under §778.11(e) of this subchapter; and
 - (2) The date of any departure.

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§ 774.13 Permit revisions.

- (a) *General.* During the term of a permit, the permittee may submit an application to the regulatory authority for a revision of the permit.
- (b) Application requirements and procedures. the regulatory authority shall establish—
- (1) A time period within which the regulatory authority will approve or disapprove an application for a permit revision; and
- (2) Guidelines establishing the scale or extent of revisions for which all the permit application information requirements and procedures of this subchapter, including notice, public participation, and notice of decision requirements of §§ 773.6, 773.19(b) (1) and (3), and 778.21, shall apply. Such requirements and procedures shall apply at a minimum to all significant permit revisions.
- (c) Criteria for approval. No application for a permit revision shall be approved unless the application demonstrates and the regulatory authority finds that reclamation as required by the Act and the regulatory program can be accomplished, applicable requirements under §773.15 which are pertinent to the revision are met, and the application for a revision complies with all requirements of the Act and the regulatory program.
- (d) Request to change permit boundary. Any extensions to the area covered by the permit, except incidental boundary revisions, shall be made by application for a new permit.

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§774.15 Permit renewals.

(a) *General.* A valid permit, issued pursuant to an approved regulatory program, shall carry with it the right